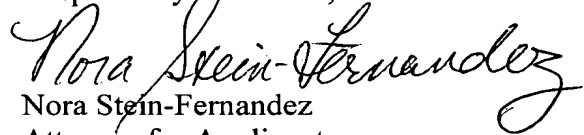


Since claims 1-8 have been canceled, the rejections made of those claims will not be addressed in this Amendment. Applicants respectfully request consideration of new claims 9-16.

In view of the foregoing, favorable consideration of new claims 9-16 and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited. Since only new claims have been added, a page captioned "Version with markings to show changes made." is not considered necessary.

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